



# Community Solar



Have you always been interested in going solar, but have not been able to? Well, there's good news! Cranbury Township residents (PSE&G and JP&L electric customers) are now eligible to participate in the NJ Board of Public Utilities newest clean energy program, Community Solar. It was designed so that everyone can access the great benefits of solar energy, regardless of housing or financial situation. This is an ideal opportunity for renters, homeowners with shaded roofs, people who live in a historic district or anyone else that is unable to install their own solar array to participate and benefit from the generation of renewable energy. Not only do you save money, but you support NJ's transition to cleaner energy.

## What is Community Solar?

Community Solar is a state clean energy program that approves large solar installations to be built locally and connected to the community electricity grid, enabling local households to access clean energy at a discount without installing solar panels themselves. Instead of having solar panels put on your own roof, you subscribe to part of a large solar array located on a nearby commercial rooftop, landfill, or parking lot canopy. If accepted into the program, you are guaranteed a discount on the portion of power generated by the array on your behalf.



A community solar project delivers energy from solar panels located remotely in the community, like on a commercial rooftop, to the local power grid.

On March 28, 2022, the Cranbury Township Committee approved a resolution to support **all** Community Solar projects that met the following requirements:

- At least **51%** of the overall solar generation of the project must be reserved for low-and moderate-income residents.
- Cranbury residents that qualify as low-to-moderate income must be given a minimum discount of **20%** on the electricity from the community solar project.
- All other Cranbury residents must be given a minimum discount of **15%** on the electricity from the community solar project.
- Additional benefits to the community through free job training opportunities must be provided.

- Subscriptions with flexible terms including no additional fees attributed to subscription and no minimum time requirements for subscription must be provided.

## Who is eligible?

If you pay an energy bill and live in Cranbury, you are eligible to enroll in a Community Solar project and begin saving money. However, space is limited and at least 51% of the program participants are reserved for [low-to-moderate income households](#):

FY 2023 Low-Income (80%) Limit (LIL)							
1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person	8 Person
66,250	75,750	85,200	94,650	102,250	109,800	117,400	124,950

LMI Data Source [HUD Income Limits Documentation Center](#)

## What Community Solar projects are available to Cranbury residents?

At present only one company, Solar Landscape, offers Community Solar projects that meet Cranbury’s requirements. To see details of the service they provide and how to enroll, click on their link below. (Note: Solar Landscape requires the use of an Invite Code to get the 25% discount.)

	<b>Solar Energy Discount</b>	<b>Invite Code</b>
<a href="#">Solar Landscape</a>	25%	GTCRAN

Other companies that meet Cranbury’s requirements will be added to this list as their Community Solar projects become available.

## How does it work?

Once enrolled, your Community Solar vendor will coordinate the payment of your utility bill, minus the discount, and provide you with a summarized bill. There will be no changes needed to the manner by which electricity is provided to your property. There will be no fees to enroll or to cancel, and you can cancel your participation in Community Solar at any time. Your account with your utility remains as is and can be checked any time online as before.

## Further Information:

[Solar Landscape FAQ](#)

[NJ Clean Energy Community Solar Brochure](#)

[NJ Board of Public Utilities Community Solar Information](#)

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[NJ Community Solar Project Finder](#)

[Cranbury Township Committee Community Solar Resolution](#)